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SUBJ: PAN AMERICAN SERVICE TO VENEZUELA
REF: CARACAS 5124

1. LOCAL PAN-AM REP INFORMED EMBASSY CARRIER PLANS TO FILE
FOLLOWING SCHEDULES WITH VENEZUELAN CIVIL AUTHORITIES:

A) ONE WEEKLY B-747 FLIGHT CARACAS-RIO-BUENOS AIRES AND RETURN.
FLIGHT WOULD OPERATE SOUTHBOUND SUNDAYS, RETURN LATER IN
WEEK, (WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY). WHILE NOT A QUICK TURN-AROUND
NORMALLY ASSOCIATED WITH TERM ROUND-TRIP THIS SERVICE DOES
APPEAR TO MEET DEFINITION OF ONE ROUND-TRIP B-747 COMBINATION
FREQUENCY WEEKLY VIA BRAZIL CONTAINED IN RECENT MEMO OF
CONSULATIONS REFTEL.

B. REDUCE ONE WEEKLY B-747 CARGO FLIGHT BETWEEN MIAMI/
CARACAS AND ADD SAME SERVICE TO MARACAIBO. LOCAL
PAN-AM REP EXPLAINED OVERALL CAPACITY NOT INCREASED
BY THIS CHANGE AND THUS THERE NO NEED TO FILE
SCHEDULE WITH USG. LOCAL REPS ATTENTION CALLED
TO PAR 3(B) OF AGREEMENT OF 1971 WHICH REQUIRES
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FILING WITH AIRLINES OF RESPECTIVE GOVTS WHEN
THERE IS QUOTE AN INCREASE IN CAPACITY ON ONE OF
THE AUTHORIZED ROUTES UNQUOTE AND PRESENT PAN-AM
SCHEDULE IS ONE 707 CARGO FLIGHT TO MARACAIBO
WEEKLY. LOCAL REP STATED THAT WHILE THIS TRUE,
PAN-AM HAD FREQUENTLY SECURED PERMISSION TO OPERATE
EXTRA SECTIONS TO MARACAIBO AND PRACTICAL EFFECT OF

CHANGE TO ONE B-747 FROM TWO B-707'S WOULD NOT BE
INCREASE IN CAPACITY. EMBASSY DOES NOT BELIEVE
EXTRA SECTIONS CAN BE INCLUDED IN DETERMINING
WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS AN INCREASE IN CAPACTIY.
GIVEN THE DIFFICULTY IN RESOLVING PROBLEM OF INCREASED
CAPACITY FOR PAN-AM BEYOND CARACAS TO BUENOS AIRES,
WHICH WAS ONE OF PRINCIPAL REASONS FOR RECENT
CONSULTATIONS, EMBASSY DUBTS GOV WOULD ACCEPT PAN-AM
INTERPRETATION ALLOWING THEM TO SERVE MARACAIBO WITH
B-747.

3. EMBASSY RECOMMENDED TO PAN-AM REP THAT CARRIER DISCUSS
PROPOSED CHANGE IN MARACAIBO SERVICE WITH DEPT'S OFFICE
OF AVIATION.
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